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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/694,565		Applicant(s) GUPTA ET AL.	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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(2) Floron C. Faries. (4) ____.

Date of Interview: 11 December 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: None.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr. Faries discussed the rejection under 112 1st paragraph regarding the examiner's assertion that the amended claims were not supported in the originally filed disclosure. Mr. Faries provided an explanation of how the originally filed disclosure does provide a valve which exhibits a bilinear characteristic. The examiner indicated that such an explanation will be taken into consideration upon the filing of a formal response.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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